Simmons Hardware &-

Open This Evening Until 9 O'Clock

Will Close Thursday at 6 p. m.



Watches for Christmas Gifts.

Our watch department is a veritable bee hive all day long, but no wonder when we are selling Elgin, Waltham and other good watches at actual wholesale prices. Buyers may be sure that a watch bought here is the best in its class-reliability is our test, and customers do not have to guess at qualities. We mention two good specials here. We have hundreds of others just as great.

10214-k. GOLD-FILLED HUNTING CASE (as illustrated) -guaranteed 25 years, solid-gold raised ornaments, 15-jewel Elgin movement-a value offered elsewhere at \$42.50-

Ladies' \$31.50 Hunting Case Watches now \$15.00-Gold-filled, 14-karat case, 25-year guarantee, good 7-jewel Waltham

of her home, by being struck by a falling electric wire, which was being repaired by B. O. Butler, a lineman, from the St. Louis Transit Company. She was slightly shocked. The wire in striking her inflicted a small scalp wound.

LOWER PRICES FOR 1904.

Samuel Benner Predicts Another

Revival in Trade in 1905.

New York, Dec. 22.—Samuel Benner, whose forecasts of the financial and com-

mercial conditions of the United States

used to be the basis for the stock market operations of men like Jay Gould, Addi-

son Cammack and W. R. Travers, issued

to-day a prediction for the year 1904. He

bases his conclusions very largely on the

conditions in the iron and steel trade. The following are some of the things he fore-

prosperity.

Mr. Benner is plainly a bear for a year and a bull for ten years thereafter.

STUDENTS ORGANIZE CLUB.

Will Entertain Prominent Missourians Who Visit Columbia.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 22.—A Southeast
Missouri Club, consisting of students of
Missouri University, whose homes are in

Southeast Missouri, has been organized with the following officers: President, G.

ESCAPES FROM THE HOSPITAL.

Dynamitard Suspect Disappears

From Des Moines Institution.

Des Moines, Is., Dec. 22.-The "unknown silent" man shot by the Rock Island special agents at Hamilton and brought here on suspicion of sending the anonymous

threatening letter to the Rock Island offi-

ciais a few weeks ago, has made his es-

ciais a few weeks ago, has made his escape from the hospital.

During the three weeks' confinement he refused to speak a word, though subjected to the most rigid 'sweating' processes. Rock Island officials believe he is a member of the dynamiting gang which has terrorized so many railroads in the last few weeks.

Detectives are on his track.

CONSUL WILL NOT INTERFERE.

British Union Leader Driven Out

by Colorado Militia.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 22.-British Consul

Pears to-day notified James A. Baker, the member of the Executive Board of the

Western Federation of Miners, who, as a

British subject, appealed to him for pro-

fully imprisoned and driven out of the Cripple Creek district by the military, that he had decided not to take up his case. The reason given is that the district is under martial law, and foreigners, as well as citizens, must obey the orders of the military.

PATCHING UP HIS MACHINE.

Warner Holds Conference With Allies at Decatur.

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 22.-Colonel Warner

was here to-night to attend a conference

of his supporters, following Yates's state-

of his supporters, following Yates's state-ment that he expects to make a fight for this county.

It is understood that the Warner cam-paign here will open immediately and a complete canvass will be made. Hamlin men also say they will not yield the county without an effort to test the feel-ing toward their candidate.

Warner goes to Quincy to-morrow.

On December 24, 25, 25, 27 and 28 the Mo-bile and Ohio Railroad will sell tickets at above rate. Ticket office, 518 Olive

Army Orders.

Washington, Dec. 22.-Army orders were

Holiday Rates Via the Katy, December 24, 25 and 21 and January 1, limit January 4. See M. K. & T. Ry, agent, 20 Olive street.

Fire at Galesburg, Ill.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

tection, alleging that he had been unlay

Simmons Mandware G.



Something new is con ng in. It will arrive just a were

roin to-morrow. That's the New Year. And that's just the day you'll need a new Mac-Carthy-Evans Frock Coat -and maybe a new Dress Suit or Tuxedo, with like-ly a new Double-Breasted White Dress Waistcoat. Thought we'd remind you that your order must get in to us to-day, if we are to get any of these needed togs to you before

MacCarthy-Evans Tailoring Co., Medium-Grade Prices, High-Grade Tailoring, 816-820 Olive St.

New Year's Day.

POISONED SOUP CAUSED DEATH.

Conrad Schaefer Died in Agony-Prompt Arrival of a Doctor Saved His Wife's Life.

Conrad Schaefer, a harnessmaker, died at his home in Easton Avenue Heights resterday morning at 5 o'clock, supposably from the effects of poisoned soup that he ate for supper Monday night. His wife, who also ate some of the soup, is seriously ill, but Doctor C. D. Potts, the attending physician, believes that she is out of danger.

Schaefer was employed at a downtown establishment. Monday evening, after he finished his work, he bought a can of soon and taking it home, asked his wife

to prepare it for supper. Within an hour Schnefer was taken ill with cramps. He rapidly became worse. Mrs. Schaefer waited upon him until about 10 o'clock, when she was stricken

in the same manner. Neighbors were called in and did what

they could for the couple. Doctor Potts was summoned, but when

he reached the house Schaefer was dead.
An antidote was administered to Mrs. Schaefer. About noon yesterday the phy-sician said that he thought she would re-Schaefer was about 60 years old. His wife is several years younger. The couple have one son, George Schaefer. The funeral will take place to-day, after the

Milton, I. T., Post Office Robbed. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Muscogec, I. T., Dec. 22.-News has just reached here of the robbery of the Post Office at Milton, I. T., which occurred Saturday night. The robbers blew the safe with nitroglycerin and secured \$125 in money, a lot of stamps and some money orders. The door of the safe was blown afteen feet. Some of the clerks at the Post Office were sleeping within a block of where the explosion occurred, but they were not awakened. The burglars escaped.

RUN DISTILLERY IN A SKYSCRAPER

Arrest of Instructors in Chicago School Results From "Technical Violation" of Law.

GROWS OUT OF INJUNCTION.

Bill Charges That Pupils Are Taught to Make Imitations of Liquors-One Prisoner Is a Federal Commissioner.

Chicago, Dec. 22.-Charged with oper shopping district of Chicago a distillery contrary to Government regulations, five officers and instructors of the Columbus laboratories were to-day arrested by United States Deputy Marshals.

One of the five prisoners was United States Commissioner Salomon. The laboratories are located in a skyscraper office building in State street at the corner of

The arrests were made on complaint of United States Revenue Agent Levi G. Nutt, the technical charge being "displaying the sign of a distiller and making a mash fit for distillation in a place other

than a duly authorized distillery." Those arrested were: Charles Norton, practical distiller and rectifier; J. A.

Wesener, Ph. C., M. D., chemist; A. Gehrmann, M. D., bacteriologist; W. A. Evans, M. S., M. D., and A. D. Salomon, United States Commissioner, Northern District lecturer in the laboratories. To-day's arrests are partly the out-

growth of a bill for injunction filed recent ly in the United States District Court against Doctor Evans, Doctor Gehrmann former city chemist; United States Commissioner Salomon and others, charging them with conducting a school wherein pupils were taught to manufacture imita-tions of various liquors and cordials. A suit for \$19,000 damages, it was said, would follow the injunction proceedings. WHAT IS TAUGHT. In the annual catalogue of the labora-

tories, it is stated that pupils are taught how to manufacture gins, rums, brandles, bitters, cordials and specials—in fact, every kind of liquor there is in the market: how to make the essence and all the ingredients used in the manufacture of the same, how to imitate imported liquors and straight whiskies, how to give new whiskies artificial age, how to give low-proof goods strength.

Commissioner Salomon is named in the catalogue of the school as instructor in Government laws and regulations, purefood laws, and the keeping of Government books. United States Commissioner Foote gave an immediate hearing to the five persons arrested to-day. At the request of the defendants, he continued the hearing until December 30. All the defendants were released on bond.

Later, Professor Norton said:

"To-day's developments were no surprise to us. We had contemplated that such action would be taken, and were perfectly willing.

TECHNICAL VIOLATION. how to manufacture gins, rums, brandles

TECHNICAL VIOLATION. "As a matter of fact, we have tech-nically violated a law. We do make mash in our academy.

in our academy.

"That is against the law, but we were told by the authorities in Washington that we might make mash under the circumstances, but not use it. We do not use the mash.

"Our desire is that a ruling be given in the matter, and in the meantime we will take the proper steps to secure legislation allowing an academy of this kind to make mash."

Woman Shocked by Electricity.

Mrs. Pauline Goldstein of No. 1229 North Ninth street narrowly escaped death by electrocution yesterday morning in from

ABSORPTION, IRRIGATION AND DIGESTION THE ONLY CURE FOR

*STRICTURED MEN A method that separates the fibers of Stric-ture, digests and passes them from the canal, immediately reduces inflammation, giving instant relief from the torturing misery of painful and difficult urination, without a sign of blood, the least bit of pain or an unfavor-able symptom thereafter, leaving the canal as natural as when born.



mble symptom thereafter, leaving the cannal as natural as when born.

My method of curing Stricture in all its stages is by irrigation and Digestion, which absorbs the substance that connects the cleatrix, or fibrous formation, so that the stricture is removed in shred-like particles, leaving the canal entirely free and unobstructed. If it is inorganic stricture, commonly called chronic gonorrhoea or gleet, I reduce the inflammation at once; discharges, irritation, painful and frequent urhation are stopped immediately, and soon the canal heals, resuming a perfectly natural condition. By removing all the inflammation in the cantire genito-urinary system my treatment cures the severe complications with the kidneys, bladder the severe complications with the kidneys, bladder of the discase ever reappears.

NO CURE, NO PAY—Absolutely no charge unless satisfaction is given. Every satient is given a written guarantee to refund every dollar paid for services in a stated length of time if they do not receive a complete, lifelong cure and entire satisfaction, and my well-known filmancial standing is sufficient evidence to any one that I am entirely responsible for any contract that is not fulfilled.

Consultation Free, Confidential and Invited, both at office and by correspondence. Successful treatment by mail. Terms are always made to suit the convenience of any one applying for treatment, and very reasonable charges. Do not treat beaches until you have have sligated my mothods and ferms. Office hours during tooks is a minutely, Building File of the street. St. Louis, No.

EURAS. A. DUFF, M. B., S10 Olive Street. St. Louis, No.

CHAS. A. DUFF, M. D., 810 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Burglaries and Hold-Ups Continue Despite Efforts of Department to Suppress Crime.

FEW HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED.

Two Houses Entered, a Woman Assaulted, and Three Men Relieved of Money Record for One Night.

ROBBERIES AND HOLD-UPS IN LAST TWO WEEKS. 4 · Hold-ups and burglaries reported

· Safes blown ...

REPORTS MADE YESTERAY. F. H. Ingalis's residence, No. 5581

Cabanne, clothing stolen, M. L. Stern's residence, No. 4604 M L. Stern's residence, No. 1
 Westminster place, jewels stolen. · Soto avenue, held up by negro. Salvation Army store burglarized.

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Highwaymen and burglars continue to operate in St. Louis, despite the efforts of the Police Department to suppress crime. Two residences in the west part of the city were entered Monday night, and a woman was assaulted by a negro on Whittier street near McPherson avenue. Her screams frightened the footpad and he ran away. Two men were held up and robbed the same night, and four men held up a saloon and robbed the occupants. About sixty-five hold-ups and burglaries have occurred in the city during the last two weeks. Thirteen women have been the victims of footpads. Several saloons

have been held up and one safe blown

have been held up and one safe blown open.

The police have made many arrests, but few have been identified. Prisoners at the Four Courts, who have been identified and against whom warrants have been issued are:

Leopold Levine, identified by Catherine May as the negro who held her up; Elick Peair, identified by Miss Emma Brooks of No. 712 North Twelfth street as the man who held her up; William Welr, William Hills and John McGiven, robbery; Herbert Washington, negro, identified as having broken a window at Henry Well's clothing store: George Smith, arrested on charge of robbing William Stahl's butcher shop at Union Market, and Bertha Masterbrook's store, No. 234 Clark avenue; Solomon Jefferson, charged with holding up and robbing Mrs. B. J. McSorley of No. 519 Fairmount avenue; Herbert Washington, negro, charged with entering W. F. Kemper's store, on Franklin avenue; and William Basket and Duke Sneed, charged with robbing A. Markham's store, No. 1519 Market street.

The majority of the robberles and holdups have occurred in the West End. Policemen in ctizens' clothes have been detailed to patrol the district. This part of the city gives thieves a better chance to escape.

INGALLS RESIDENCE ROBBED. containing are some of the things he forecasts:

Lower prices for pig iron, railroad stocks and commodities than in 1903; a revival in trade after 1904 and better times and higher prices until 1911; prices for iron, railroad stocks and industrials will continue to be depressed until the future policy of the Government is settled in the coming election for President; a new upward movement in pig iron, beginning with 1966 and ending with the next commercial revulsion in 1911.

Mr. Benner says that the "coming opportunities to catch business prices at their lowest limits of depression will not happen again for twenty years." Although the shrinkage in securities in the last two years is estimated at \$4,000,000,000, he thinks that this will be recovered and a thousand million dollars more of inflated value added /during the coming years of prosperity.

Mr. Benner is plainly a bear for a year

INGALLS RESIDENCE ROBBED. The residence of F. H. Ingalls, No. 5581 The residence of F. J. Ingalls, No. 5081
Cabanne avenue, was entered by burgiars
Monday night during the absence of the
family, and an overcoat valued at 395
was stolen. An entrance was effected
through a second-story window.
The residence of M. L. Stern, No. 499
Westminster place, was ransacked and
jewelry valued at \$50 and clothing valued
at \$300 were taken. The thieves entered
through a rear window.

SCHOOL TEACHER HELD UP.
Miss Anna Tarram a school teacher.

with the following officers: President, G. P. Ford, Ripley County; vice president, W. E. Anderson, Iron County; secretary, Miss Rith Covington, Stoddard County; treasurer, R. S. Houck, Stoddard County. The club will entertain prominent Southeast Missourians who vist Columbia, and will work for the university interests in that section of the State. Miss Anna Tarram, a school teacher living at No. 4348 De Soto avenue, while on the way Monday night to visit a friend in Lindell avenue, was stopped by a negro on Whitter street between McPherson and Maryland avenues, who commanded her to throw up her hands. She screamed, but held tightly to her purse. The highwayman threw her to the ground, but, as she continued to scream, he ran.

Burglars broke into the Salvation Army store Monday night and stole five suits of clothing valued at \$25. The clothes were donations to the Christmas fund.

The Summit postal substation, No. 2834 Manchester avenue, was entered and \$50 was stolen.

The police yesterday made investigation in the case of Mrs. A. Block, whose purse was snatched, she claims, by Harvey Pesold of No. 533 Arsenal street on Monday evening. When Mrs. Block reported the matter to the police she gave her address as No. 227A olive street, Policemen went to see Mrs. Block, but found there was no such number. Pesold is still held.

Frank Strerel of No. 172 Texas avenue was robbed by two negroes while on his living at No. 4348 De Soto avenue, while

Frank Strerel of No. 1727 Texas avenue was robbed by two negroes while on his way home from work last evening. The footpads stopped him as he was passing through the alley in the rear of No. 1803 South Jefferson avenue and took \$5 from

WOMAN RESISTS NEGRO. Mrs. Fannie Pollack of No. 2815 Dayton street successfully resisted a negro who attempted to snatch her purse as she was passing the mouth of an alley between Eleventh and Twelfth streets on Carr street last evening. She grappled with her assallant and recovered her purse.

her assailant and recovered her purse.

Miss Lizzie Foster, 16 years old, of No. 5162 San Francisco avenue, was the victim of a negro thief, who snatched her purse, containing \$2.40, as she was walking along Wash street last evening.

Miss Minnie Crispy of No. 812 North Levee was stopped by a negro, who stole her purse, containing \$1.50, as she was passing under Eads bridge on her way home last evening.

Mrs. H. Hausman, a guest at the Loraine Hotel, Boyle and Lindell avenues, had her purse snatched from her hand by a young man as she was walking east on Sarah street about 5.30 yesterday evening. In the pocketbook was \$5 in bills and some small change.

OBSERVE DIAMOND WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. George Washington

Scollay Married Sixty Years. The diamond wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. George Washington Scollay was celebrated last Sunday at the residence of their daughter, Mrs. D. A. Phil-

ipps, No. 5865 Cates avenue.

Mr. Scollay and his wife reside in New York City. The custom of celebrating their wedding anniversaries in St. Louis was inaugurated ten years ago.

Mrs. Scollay is 82 years old and her husband is 86. Hoth are possessed of all their faculties and are still able to take an active interest in the welfare of their children.

children.
They have two daughters in this city,
Mrs. George W. Bailey of No. 4025 West.
Belle place, and Mrs. Philipps of No. 5665
Cates avenue.

Furs for Christmas.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Army orders were issued to-day as follows:

At the request of the Governor of Arkansas. Major Robert W. Dowdy will report to him at little Rock for dny with the organized militial of that State for a period of four years, unless sooner relayed.

First Lieutemant Frank P. Amos. Eleventh Cavairy, now at Kimball. Neb., will report to the commanding General, Department of the Missouri, for temporary dny.

Upon the strival at Fort Trumbull, Conn., of First Lieutemant Wallace Be Witt, assistant surgeon, Captain James R. Church will proceed to Fort Brown, Tex., to relieve Contract Surgeon Joseph K. Combe. The A. A. Asi Cloak Co., at 515 Locust street, offer tempting fur bargains for Christmas shoppers in to-day's Republic. The fur business which is being done by this concern at present is testing the expacity of the store. The stock carried is more complete and elaborate than they have heretofore shown. Nothing in the way of a Christmas present can be more acceptable to a lady than a Scarf, Manfi or Set of Furs, and there is no place in St. Louis where a larger stock at lower prices can be found. Note the prices in to-day's advertisement on another page for Isabella and Sable Fox Scarfs, Blended Sable and Sable Fox Scarfs, Blended Sable and Sable and Sable of Scarfs, Blended Sable and Sable and Natural Mink Scarfs.

As an extra special bargain the A. A. Asi Cloak Co. will offer to-day thirty-one Near Seal Couts at half prices. Galesburg, III., Dec. 22.—Fire and water to-day caused \$10,000 damage to the Cran-dall & Tracy department store stock. In-surance of \$5,500.

ROBBERS STILL Thousands of Women Have Kidney EVADE THE POLICE Trouble and Never Suspect Trouble and Never Suspect It.

fe't first of all, in the small of the back-in other words, in those Vitel Organs, the Kidneys. This is as true in the case of the very powerful as it is with one of less strength, and it is especially true whenever the kidneys are weak

The Great Kidney Remedy Swamp-Root strengthens the kidneys and through them helps all the other

WOMEN suffer untold misery because the nature of their disease is not always correctly understood; in many cases when doctoring they are led to believe that womb trouble or female weakness of some sort is responsible for their ills, when is fact disordered kildneys are the chief cause at their distressing troubles. Perhaps you suffer almost continually with pain in the back, bearing-down feelings, headache and utter exhaustion.

YOUR poor health makes you nervous, irritable and at times despondent. But thousands of just such suffering or broken-down women are being restored to health and strength every day by the use of that wonderful discovery, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, Ever and bladder remedy. Didn't Know I Had Kidney Trouble

To-Day I Am in Splendid Health

agod, but in a few days after taking your wonderful Swamp-Root I began to feel better. I was out of health and run down generally; had no appetite, was dizzy and suffered with headache most of the time. I did not know that my kidneys were the cause of my trouble, but somehow felt they might be, and I began taking Swamp-Root, as above stated, There is such a pleasant taste in Swamp-Root, and it goes right to the spot and drives disease out of the system. It has cured me, mading me stronger and better in every way, and I cheerfully recommend it to all sufferers. Gracierally yours.

MRS. A. L. WALKER.

46 West Linden st., Atlanta, Gs.

MRS. A. L. WALKER.

THE MILD and extraordinary effect of the world-famous kidney and bladder remedy, Swamp-Root, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing gases. A trial will

convince any one-and you may have a sample bottle sent free by mail. In taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root you afford natural help to Nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that has ever een discovered. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle,

NOT only does Swamp-Root bring new life and activity to the kidneys, the caus-of the trouble, but by strengthening the kidneys it acts as a general tonic and food for the entire constitution.

Swamp-Root a Blessing to Women

My kidneys and bladder gave me great tr



a sample bottle of Loctor Klimer's Swamp-Boot, sent me on my request, I experienced re-lief, and I immediately bought of my druggist two large bottles and continued taking it reg-ularly. I am pleased to say that Swamp-Rost has cured me entirely. I can now stand on my feet all day without any bad symptoms what-ever. Swamp-Rost has proved a bleasing to me, Gratefully source. Gratefully yours,

To Prove What SWAMP-ROOT, the Great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy, Will Do for YOU, Every Reader of The Daily Republic May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

NOTICE—No matter how many doctors you may have tried—no matter how much money you may have spent on other medicines, you really owe it to yourself, and to your family, to at least give Swamp-Root a trial. Its strongest friends to-day are those who had almost given up hope of ever becoming well again. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery. Swamp-Root, and containing many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women who owe their good health, in fact their very liver, to its wonderful curative properties. In writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., he sure to say that you read this generous offer in The St. Louis Daily Republic. If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at the drug stores everywhere.

we have fixed this matter up. I hope you will continue to use the Alton."
"Oh, no." replied the Chicago man, "I will not go back on the Alton."
Now Jere is wondering just what he mean!

Stith Before the Commission.

Chicago, Dec. 22.-The Interstate Com-

merce Commission held a session in Chi-

cago to-day for the purpose of taking ad-

ditional testimony in the salt case. W. D. Biddle of the Santa Fe. W. C. Stith of the Missouri Pacific and Joy and Mark Morton of the salt combine were witnesses. They explained how accounts were kept between the railways involved.

HAS \$50,000 CAPITAL STOCK.

Water, Light and Heat Company

Incorporates at Shelbyville, Ill.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Shelbyville, Ill., Dec. 22.—The Shelbyville Water, Light and Heat Company has been incorporated with a capital stock of

\$50,000, for the purpose of establishing a

The incorporators are C. C. Scovil, W.

The incorporators are C. C. Scovil, W. H. Beem. Max Kleeman, G. C. Boilmer, I. S. Storm, B. W. Kerr and W. S. Midedlesworth.

The franchise of the present water company, against whom a heavy judgment was rendered at the last term of Circuit Court and the plant ordered sold by Master in Chancery, expires in August, 196, and it is the new company's purpose to be ready to do business by that time,

plant in this city.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

TURKS MAKE FULL APOLOGY FOR ASSAULT ON CONSUL.

arrest by the Turkish authorities caused United States Consul Davis to leave Alexandretta, has been liberated.

The Governor of Alexandretta to-day made an official call upon United States Consul Davis and formally apologized for the indignities suffered by the Consul.

ROCKEFELLER GIVES \$1,850,000 TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 22.-It was announced to-day, at the forty-ninth convocation of the University of Chicago, that donations amounting to \$1,859,000 had been reeived from John D. Rockefeller, the founder of the university. Of this amount 1,500,000, in real estate, improved and unimproved, in the immediate vicinity of the

miversity, was formally transferred by Mr. Rockefeller. For current expenses of the university during the year beginning July 1, 1904, \$245,000 was given; \$55,000 was donated for the completion of the power plant and improvement of the grounds, and \$50,000 is given by Mr. Rockefeller for the work of excavation and exploration in Oriental lands.

TO EXHIBIT MAINE AT WORLD'S FAIR?

Contractors Plan to Raise the Ill-Fated Battleship in Havana Harbor.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New Orleans, La., Dec. 22.-The Seawel Bros., who have been actively engaged in closing crevasses and raising wrecks, prepose to raise the wreck of the United States man-of-war Maine, sunk in the har bor of Havana in February, 1898, and take it to St. Louis for the Exposition.

They are said to be well backed with capital for the enterprise, and will depart for Havana in a few days. They estimate that it will take less than sixty days to raise and repair the vessel, It will be on exhibition at Havana for a few days, afterwards at New Orleans during the car nival, and then will be taken up the Mississippi River to St. Louis.

MILEAGE FOR THE YEAR. Increased 5,723 Miles, Making a To-tal of 209,855.

Chicago, Dec. 22-According to the Rallway Age, the total rallway mileage of the United States on January 1, 1904, will be 209,855 miles, the present year having added 5,723 miles. This mileage takes into account all of the new track laid up to the last day of the year. Compared with 1902, the present year is

sbout on a parity in the matter of railway construction. The construction reported was done on 380 lines and in thirty-nine States and Territories, including Alaska. Early in the year it was shown that there were \$.500 miles of rathroad un-der construction, but labor troubles and floancial difficulties caused some of the work to be abandoned. The number of lines constructed in Missouri was eieven, with a mileage of 294.57, thirteen lines were built in Illinois with a mileage of III.28, in Arkansas fif-teen lines were built, having a mileage of 203.58, and in Texas twenty-one lines were constructed, with a mileage of \$70.58.

Phrase Troubles Hunt.

A common phrase is causing Jere Hunt city ticket agent of the Atton, considera ble worry. It seems that several days ago the local office loaded with a heavy kick.

Jere went for him in his well-known
calm end easy manner and succeeded in
placeting him to a considerable degree.

After considerable discussion Jere said:

"Well, you return to Chicago to-night and

Perfected by Years of Scientific Study Which Will Positively Its Worst Stages

Letters from the Afflicted Who Offer the Most Convincing **Evidence of Its Great** Merit.

Well-Known People in This City Give Testimony That Cannot Be Overlooked.

Important discoveries made in obtaining the active principle from indigenous plants hitherto almost wholly unknown to the medical profession, and the encouraging results attending their use, have resulted in the preparation of these curative agents

in the form of Eupepsia Tablets for the treatment of digestive disorders.

E. Arlington Thomas, manager Sales Department for Chas. M. Bradford & Co.,

St. Louis, writes: "I can speak in the highest terms of Eupepsia Tablets. After six years' suffering and experimenting with so-called dyspep-sia cures without being cured, I tried Eupepsia Tablets, and must truthfully say that two bottles effected a complete cure.

that two bottles effected a complete cure. I can now eat what I like and enjoy a hearty heal. You can use this letter in any way you see fit, so other sufferers will be equally benefited."

Eupepsia Tablets are sold by every first-class druggist, or direct, for 5% for full treatment. Your money refunded if they fall. Three days treatment and booklet on stomach disorders malled free.

Watch our advertisements in this paper. Watch our advertisements in this paper for letters from home people who have been cured

Eupopala Chemical Co., 409 Walnut St., St. Louis, Mo.

year-old daughter of Frank Anderson was burned in an unaccountable manner to-day, The mother left the little one and her twin sister in a room without a fire Two minutes later she was startled by scream, and when she reached the house she found the child enveloped in flames. She was burned severely about the face, neck and chest. The hair was burned off her head. The injuries probably will prove fatal.

Columbia Toust is a delightful treat for Breakfast, At all grocers,

Mre Damages Saloon. A fire in the saloon and restaurant of Eugene Koerner at No. 4900 Arsenal street yesterday merning damaged the sulfding \$300 and the contents about \$100. The fire originated in a two-story frame structure in the rear of the saloon, which was used as a kitchen. The building was the property of the Phoenix Brewing Company.

Eureka Springs, Ark., Dec. 22.-The 3-

Every mother feels a great dread of the pain and danger attendant upon the most critical period of her life. Becoming a mother should be a source of joy to all, but the suffering and danger incident to the ordeal makes its anticipation one of misery. Mother's Friend is the only remedy which relieves women of the great

pain and danger of maternity; this hour which is dreaded as woman's severest trial is not only made painless, but all the danger is avoided by its use. Those who use this remedy are no longer despondent or gloomy; nervousness, nausea and other distressing conditions are overcome, the system is made ready for the coming event, and the serious accidents so common to the critical

hour are obviated by the use of Mother's
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